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- ☒ 11 Patent Specification including an Abstract
- ☒ 6 Pages of Claims
- ☒ 2 Sheet(s) of drawings. ☐ Informal ☒ Formal
- ☒ 2 Declaration(s) and Power of Attorney
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- ☐ A certified copy of a ☐ application.
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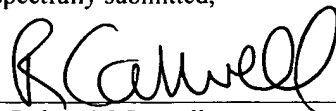
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